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Survey Results

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Late Season Crop Summary

Thank you for participating in the December Agricultural Survey, a nation wide survey of farmers who raise late season crops including hay, corn, and dry edible beans. These results have been sent to you courtesy of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, Utah Field Office. For further results go to our web site at WWW.USDA.GOV/NASS/ or call us at (800) 747-8522.

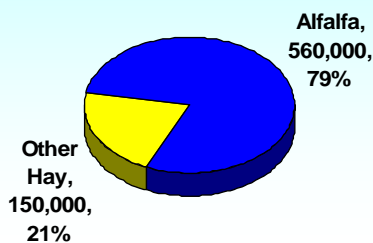
Utah alfalfa hay acreage harvested in 2007, at 560,000 acres, was the same level as 2006. The average yield was 4.2 tons per acre, up 5 percent from last year. Total alfalfa hay production was 2,352,000 tons, up 5 percent from the previous year.

Other hay harvested acres, including grain hay, by Utah farmers totaled 150,000 acres, unchanged from the 2006 level. The average yield was 2.1 tons per acre, an increase of 5 percent from a year earlier. Total production was 315,000 tons, up 5 percent from 2006.

Corn acreage harvested for grain at 22,000 acres was up 29 percent from last year. The average yield at 148 bushels per acre was down 6 percent from 2006. Total production was 3.3 million bushels, up 22 percent from the previous year. There were 47,000 acres of corn harvested for silage, same as the previous year. Average yield at 21 tons per acre was down 5 percent from the year before.

There were 1,500 acres of dry edible beans planted, down 50 percent from last year. Of that, 1,300 acres were harvested. Average yield was 400 pounds per acre and production was 5,000 hundredweight, 2.5 times the level of last year's disaster crop.

**Hay Harvested Acres:
Utah, 2007**



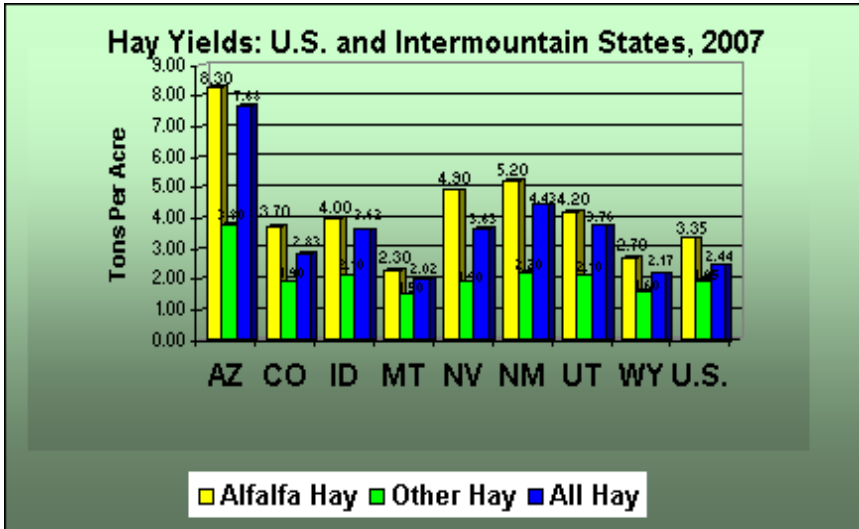
Hay: Acreage, Yield, and Production, Utah 2007

Crop	Harvested Acres	Yield Tons per Acre	Production Tons
Alfalfa	560,000	4.20	2,352,000
Other Hay	150,000	2.10	315,000
All Hay	710,000	3.76	2,667,000

U.S. Level Hay and Corn Production

The 2007 United States alfalfa hay production is estimated at 72.6 million tons, up 1 percent from last year. Other hay (including grain hay) production is estimated at 77.7 million tons, up 11 percent from 2006. Corn grain production at 13.1 billion bushels was up 24 percent from the previous year. Corn silage production is estimated at 106.3 million tons, up 1 percent from last year.

Among intermountain States listed in the table below, Utah ranks third in other hay yield (tied with Idaho) and fourth in alfalfa hay yield. Utah's alfalfa hay and other hay yields were above the National averages.



Hay Yields: U.S. and Intermountain States, 2007.

State	Alfalfa Hay Tons/ Acre	Other Hay Tons/ Acre	All Hay Tons/ Acre
AZ	8.30	3.80	7.68
CO	3.70	1.90	2.83
ID	4.00	2.10	3.62
MT	2.30	1.50	2.02
NV	4.90	1.90	3.63
NM	5.20	2.20	4.43
UT	4.20	2.10	3.76
WY	2.70	1.60	2.17
U.S.	3.35	1.95	2.44

Grain Stocks: U.S. December 1, 2007

Stocks of barley, wheat, and oats were down on December 1, 2007 compared to a year ago while stocks of corn were up. This includes stocks held on and off farms across the United States. The decline in barley stocks was the sharpest, 22 percent lower than December 1, 2006. Stocks of corn were up 15 percent from the previous year.

Grain Stocks: U.S. December 1, 2006 - 07

Commodity	2006 1,000 Bu.	2007 1,000 Bu.	Change Percent
Corn	8,932,707	10,268,599	115
Barley	172,821	135,078	78
Wheat (All)	1,314,658	1,127,911	86
Oats	98,889	94,470	96

Grain Stocks in 1,000 Bushels: United States, December 1, 2007

